

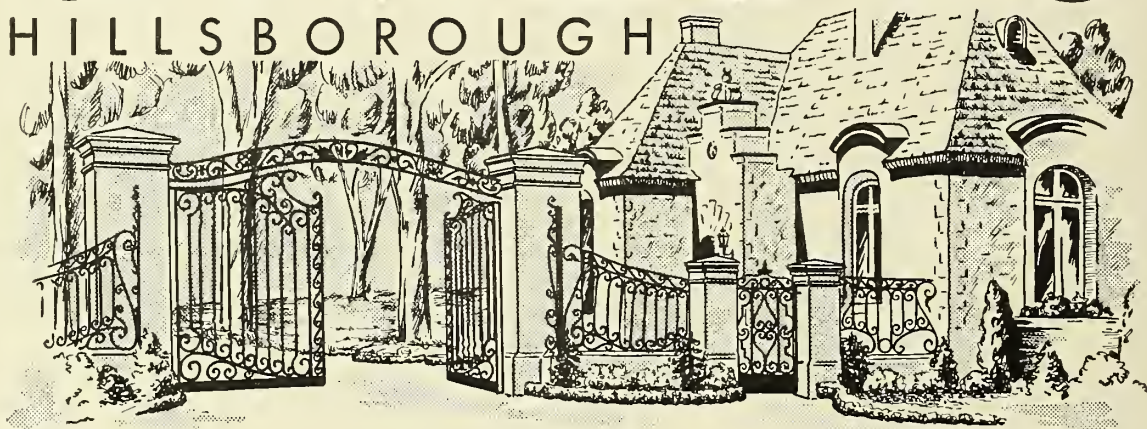
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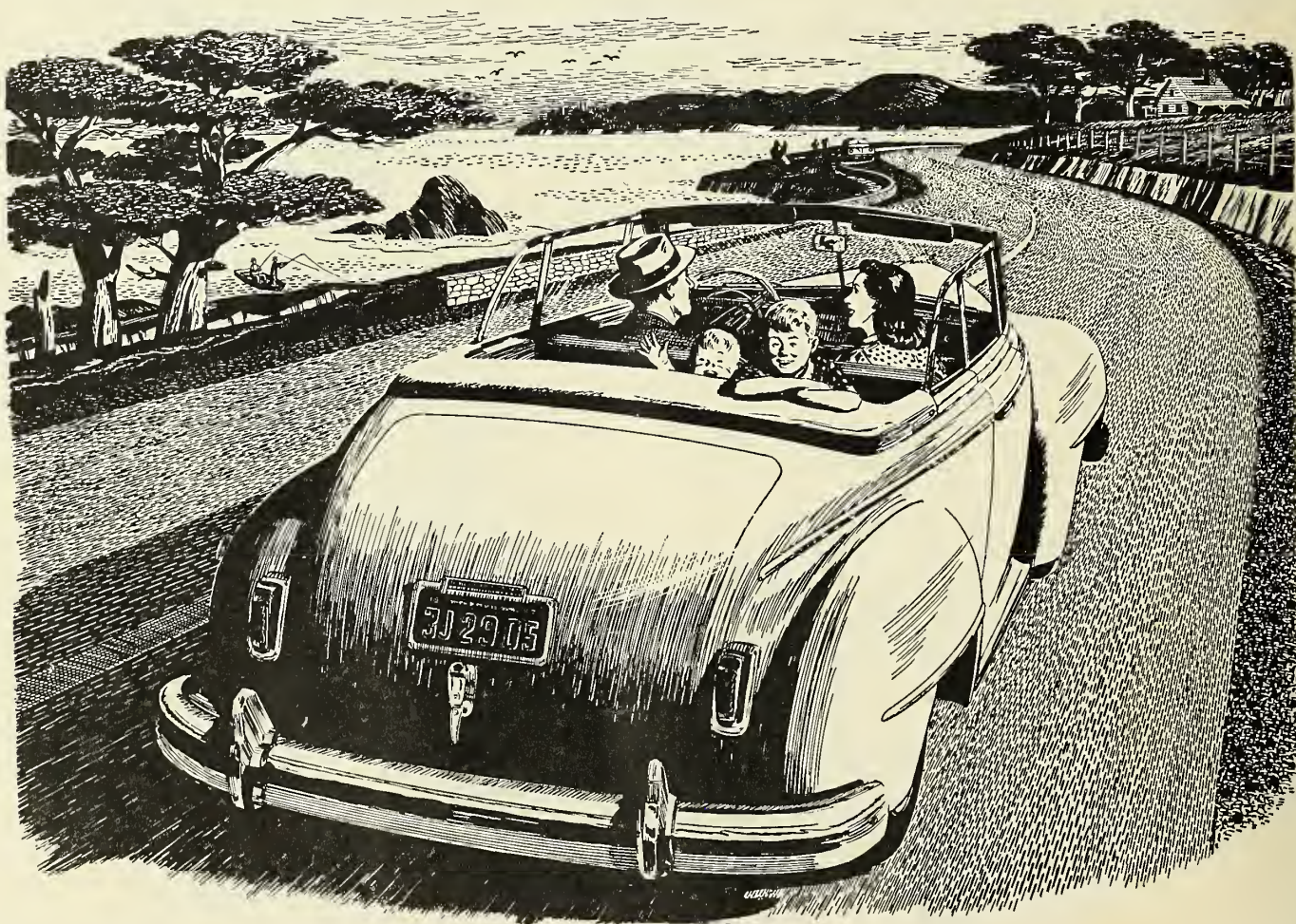
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Schedule of Events for Lakeside

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JULY

Sunday, July 6—Sweepstakes Tournament.

Sunday, July 13—Sweepstakes Tournament.

Wednesday, July 16—Twilight Tournament and Stag Dinner. Sponsor to be selected.

Sunday, July 20—Sweepstakes Tournament.

Sunday, July 27—Sweepstakes Tournament.

WOMEN'S SCHEDULE

JULY

Tuesday, July 1—Guest Day.

Tuesday, July 8—Sweepstakes.

Tuesday, July 22—Sweepstakes.

Tuesday, July 29—Sweepstakes.

CITY CLUB

Athletic Activities—July

SUNDAYS

Fathers and Sons, provided both are members, admitted from.....8:00 a.m. to 12 noon

MONDAYS

Exercise Classes . . . Volley Ball.....12 noon to 1:30 p.m.
Fencing . . . Volley Ball.....5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Touch Tackle.....6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAYS

Exercise Classes . . . Badminton.....12 noon to 1:30 p.m.
Exercise Classes (supervised).....5:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Indoor Baseball League.....6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Basketball 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Exercise Classes . . . Volley Ball.....12 noon to 1:30 p.m.
Fencing . . . Gymnastics.....5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Basketball . . . Recreational
Games, etc. 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

THURSDAYS

Exercise Classes . . . Badminton.....12 noon to 1:30 p.m.
Exercise Classes (supervised).....5:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Indoor Baseball League.....6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Basketball Practice 8:00 p.m. to 10 p.m.

FRIDAYS

Exercise Classes . . . Volleyball.....12 noon to 1:30 p.m.
Fencing . . . Gymnastics.....5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Basketball . . . Recreational
Games, etc. 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

SATURDAYS

Exercise Classes . . . Games, etc.....12 noon to 1:30 p.m.
Badminton 5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Special Events—July

Sunday, July 20—Fathers and Sons Breakfast and Get-Together. Meet in Club at 9:30 a.m. Breakfast at 10:45 a.m. This breakfast will be a get-together affair. Those attending will be made acquainted with other fathers and sons present. The breakfast will be an informal affair to talk over plans for the remaining months of 1947. All fathers and sons are requested to attend. Dining room reservations must be made by July 18, 1947.

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Winged 'O' Yachtsmen Win

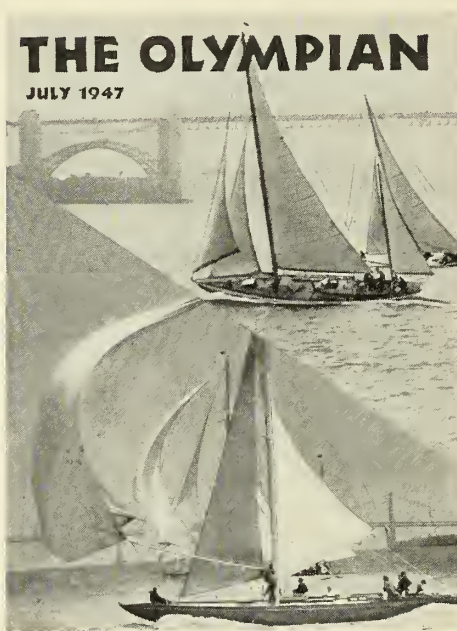
By Frank Herman

► It's getting to be a regular habit for Olympians to dominate whatever sport in which they engage. And now it is yachting. This thrilling and exhilarating sailboat sport this year has opened with pre-war enthusiasm and a greater number of white winged craft than ever before can be seen each week-end competing for coveted trophies.

The fourteenth annual Hearst All Clubs regatta again brought out a record number of yachts of all classes, as well as trim power cruisers, to inaugurate the 1947 season of races on San Francisco Bay. Among the hundreds of boats entered in this classic there were many that were owned or manned by members of The Olympic Club.

In the big boat division that veteran "salt," Commodore Charlie Langlais, and his skipper, Jim Michael, managed to navigate the ADIOS across the finish line to cop first place in Division Seven. This Winged O yachtsman knows all the tricks of maneuvering his craft so that favorable winds as well as tide changes are quickly taken advantage of. Due to his knowledge of the course and all the currents, Langlais managed to trim the TRAVELER, owned by Richard A. Hanan, a fellow member of the St. Francis Yacht Club, by the slim margin 1 minute 39 seconds, corrected time. Elapsed time of the ADIOS was 2:30:04, while the TRAVELER'S was 2:31:43.

Initial appearance of the HILARIA in a local event, purchased last fall in New York by Commodore Nelson Jones, another Olympian, was deemed more than promising. Skippered by its owner, the HILARIA sped across the finish line in the fastest elapsed time but had to be content with fourth place in the big boat, Division Seven, class, as the handicap under which the Corinthian and St. Francis entries had to sail proved too much to overcome. Elapsed time was 2:28:54, corrected time the same, as the HILARIA had to start from scratch. Jones is confident that in future races his cutter will cut through the waves with enough speed to annex first place, regardless of time handicap.



THE OLYMPIAN'S COVER

This picturesque yachting scene shows two of the big boats, owned by Olympians, sailing before the wind in the annual Hearst All Clubs Regatta on San Francisco Bay. The *Adios*, owned by Commodore Charlie Langlais, won the Class 7 event, while the *Hilaria*, owned by Commodore Nelson Jones, in its initial local appearance finished first but lost out on handicap basis. These yachts are among the fastest white wings now racing on the West Coast and their Winged "O" skippers look for their craft to skim through the water with enough speed to churn up white spray in their wake for all competitors to follow across the finishing line.

Among Olympians who competed in the Hearst All Clubs regatta were Gordon Holcomb, member of the crew on the new international star boat FRANTIC, owned by Bob White, son of Jerome White, popular Lakeside golfer; Dr. Charlie O'Brien, skipper of the cutter VOLANTE, last season's winner in all events; George Chew, skipper of the new sailing yacht MERRIELL, recently launched at San Rafael; Jack Young, son of Harry Young, who skippered their bird boat HUMMING BIRD.

The master of ceremonies at the Trophy Presentation Party at the St. Francis Yacht Club was Commodore

Cliff Smith, who also acted as director general for the fourteenth time of this historic regatta. Prior to handing out the trophies to victorious skippers the old sea salt addressed the yachtsmen in praiseworthy fashion for their sportsmanship. He stated that the race was so free of fouls that not a single protest was filed with the committee, despite the closeness of most of the events, and the large number of boats which competed.

Hal Chase Was Classiest First-baseman of All-time

Recent death of Hal Chase recalls his advent into the professional ranks of baseball. At the turn of the present century Chase was playing with Santa Clara and his remarkable agility and skill in handling badly thrown balls by infielders, as well as his uncanny method of practically playing deep right field and yet being able to field bunts without apparent effort, attracted the attention of Coast League managers. Hal was recommended to Hank Harris and Danny Long by the writer but they turned thumbs down on him with the terse remark "too fancy to ever make a big leaguer." However, Pop Dillon, then manager of Los Angeles, took one look at him and immediately proffered him a contract. That spelled finis to Pop's playing days, because Chase replaced him on the initial corner and Dillon then became a bench manager. From then on Chase was a sensation, not only as fielder but as a base-runner and batsman and soon graduated into the majors where he was dubbed "Peerless Hal." Old-timers who saw him during his prime are unanimous in saying that he was without doubt the most graceful and speediest player ever to cavort around first base.

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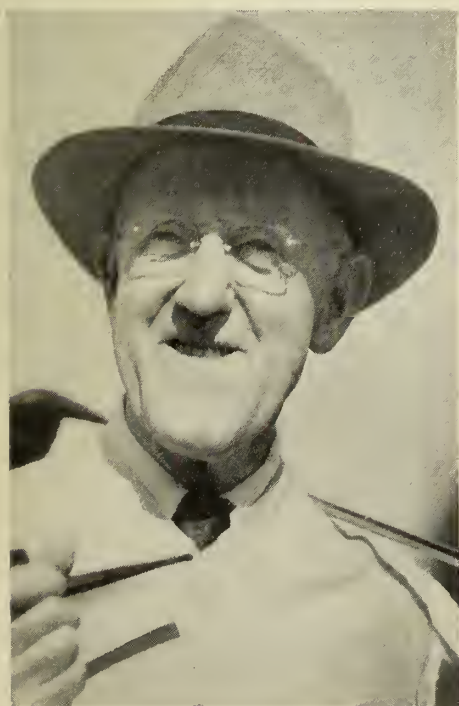
Olympian Potpourri

By the Old-Timer

► When The Olympic Club branched out and added the Country Club to its other athletic activities, it served to revolutionize the habits of many Winged O members. Golf was the magnet which attracted old-timers to Lakeside as the royal and ancient Scottish pastime was just entering its nationwide popularity stage when the acreage skirting the ocean was purchased. The golf bug bit hundreds of former athletes who no longer could indulge in strenuous competition on handball courts, track and field, football and other athletic activities. The original course proved inadequate to handle the rapidly growing membership of the Country Club, so the ocean links were constructed, giving the membership two championship 18-hole courses. Many of the pioneers of golf who over a quarter of a century ago made it possible for the Club to obtain such a valuable and scenic playground still find it a swell spot to spend week-ends.

Rubbed elbows with one of these vets of the fairways on Saturday and when

VIC ROBINSON
Oldster still live-wire golfer.



the score cards were tabulated, lo and behold, instead of a century it was under 90. Which simply goes to prove that golf is a sport which enables oldsters to get healthy exercise and have a jolly time doing it. The name? We'll tell you. None other than VIC ROBINSON, and in order that you may not get the idea that Vic is a pushover, although he has passed the three-score-and-ten milepost of life, don't wager too much of Uncle Sam's "green cabbage" figuring you can trim him at handicap, as CAPT. JOE TIPP, DR. ED SALOMON, and BILL EMPEY, his regular playmates, will testify to. He's a typical "middle-of-the-roader," always down the center of the fairway and a deadly putter. If you're looking for a pigeon, don't pick on Vic, because he'll fool you. Ask JAKE STAHL, one of his pals.

One of the newer golfing members who is showing such improvement that experts figure he soon will be giving top-notchers a keen tussle for the title, is JACK HICKEY. He hasn't been playing the game any length of time but has excellent form and hits a terrifically long ball with his woods. With experience, he promises to step into the championship class. His recent "birdie" on the 16th Lake course hole is an indication of how he negotiates the long 'uns.

Well, well, wonders never cease. Just think, that dyed-in-the-wool printer's ink guy—A. "FREDDIE" FREDIANI—the little fellow who sports a French beret while treading the greensward at Lakeside—added an eighth wonder to the list by announcing his retirement from the printing business. For years Freddie has been sniffing that printer's ink odor and 'tis a well known saying that the toughest thing in the world for a newspaperman or printer to do is to desert the racket. But, he has gone and done it. And what do you think Freddie gave up his first love for? Vegetables and frozen foods! Yes, he stated with a smile—not a frozen physog—that he had joined hands with those two popular Olympians—CHARLIE ARATA and EARL JOHNSON—in the Allied Produce Co. This new connection also serves to prove that golf has its good points outside of



A. "FREDDIE" FREDIANI
Embarks on new career.

knocking an innocent white spheroid into a grove of trees, as Frediani and Johnson cemented their business friendship after months of battling at Lakeside.

It takes only one shot to make some golfers happy. Take the drive that BEN FRANKLIN made on the third hole of the Lake course. He's still sock-happy over it. Probably every one of his friends has been button-holed and told of the miraculous poke he made. Hole-in-one? No. Just a birdie but the ball came so darn near dropping in for an ace that the foursome on the third green yelled like Comanche Indians as it trickled toward the cup, figuring they were about to witness a "once in a lifetime" tee shot.

Old-Timer has been playing golf for many years but never has he seen so many footprints in sand traps and unplaced divots as lately. Players who do not rake sand traps or replace divots are one of the biggest handicaps to other golfers, because they not only cause their fellow members to roll up higher scores,

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Fencing Title Captured

By Ferard Leicester

► Results of the recently held Pacific Coast Fencing Championships: The Junior and Intermediate events were held at the University of California in Berkeley Saturday morning and afternoon and the Open or Senior events were held at The Olympic Club.

The Olympic Club had qualified teams in all the Open Team events by winning the Northern California Open Team Championships in foils, sabers and epee, and accordingly its teams were the Northern California representatives in the three Pacific Coast Open Team Championships.

The competition for the Open Foil Team Championship was held in the club gymnasium. The Olympic Club Foil Team was composed of Ferard Leicester, Louis Lataillade and Salvatore Giambra and it opposed in the finals a team from the Los Angeles Athletic Club whose members were Edward Carfagno, the 1947 Pacific Coast Individual Foil Champion; his brother, Al Carfagno and Josef Lampl.

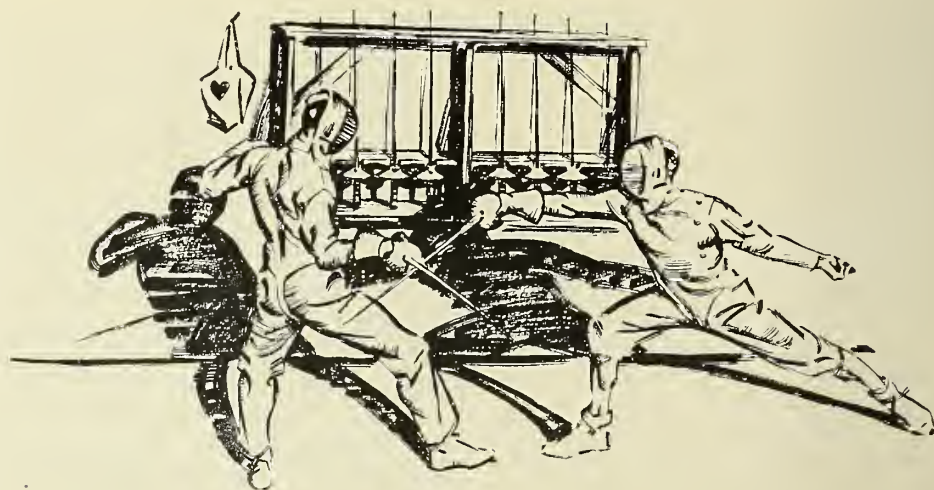
The first bout was between Ed Carfagno and Salvatore Giambra who had finished second to Ed in the Individual Championships. Ed repeated his win by the score of five touches to three and the first bout went to the Los Angeles Athletic Club.

In the next bout Ferard Leicester of The Olympic Club defeated Josef Lampl five touches to four and evened up the score to one bout for each club.

Louis Lataillade next won his bout with Al Carfagno by the score of five touches to two, putting the Olympic Club team ahead by one bout.

GIAMBRA RETRIVES LOSS

In the first bout of the second round Giambra lost to Lampl five to four and the score was tied at two all. Leicester then defeated Al Carfagno five to two and was followed by a bout between Lataillade and Ed Carfagno. This was the crucial bout of the evening and by far the tensest. Louis, however, met the challenge magnificently and defeated the Pacific Coast Champion by the score of five to four.



The final bout between Giambra and Al Carfagno resulted in a victory for Giambra by a score of five to two and the Olympic Club Team had won the Foil Team Championship by the score of five bouts to two.

This victory gives the club the right to hold the Adams Trophy for one year. This trophy was first presented in 1929 and in that year was won by the Olympic Club and one of the members of the 1929 team and also of the 1947 winning team was Ferard Leicester fencing for The Olympic Club.

CLUB SABOR TEAM WINS

The Olympic Club Saber Team, composed of Salvatore Giambra, Ferard Leicester and James S. Worden, defeated a saber team from the Los Angeles Athletic Club, consisting of Edward Carfagno, Al Carfagno and Josef Lampl, by the score of five bouts to three. The individual bout scores were as follows: Salvatore Giambra defeated Ed Carfagno 5 to 4, Al Carfagno five to two and Josef Lampl 5 to 0. Ferard Leicester defeated Al Carfagno 5 to 4, Josef Lampl 5 to 2 and lost to Ed Carfagno. Worden lost to Ed Carfagno and Josef Lampl. This is the first time a Northern California Team has ever won the Pacific Coast Open Saber Team Championship.

The Olympic Club Epee Team lost to The Los Angeles Athletic Club Epee Team by the score of 5 to 2. Louis Lataillade and Salvatore Giambra each winning one bout.

In the individual events Salvatore Giambra was the outstanding star for the Olympic Club. Giambra tied for first place in both the Open Foils and the Open Sabers with Ed Carfagno of the Los Angeles Athletic Club. In each of these events Giambra and Carfagno had to fence an extra bout to determine the Champion. Carfagno won each fence-off but only after a very close bout, the saber score being 5 to 4. As stated above, in the Saber Team Championship which followed the individual event Giambra defeated Carfagno. In the Intermediate Individual Epee event Salvatore Giambra took third.

NEW FENCER MAKES GOOD

The newest member of our fencing squad also brought honor to the club. Jim Worden, who has been showing up among the winners in the epee events all season in the division contests, continued to win medals in the Pacific Coast Championships. In the Intermediate Epee Jim took second place to Bruce McBirney who later won the Open Epee Championships and in the Junior Epee Jim tied Gerard Biagini for first place but in the fence-off lost by one touch.

The final results for the four fencers from the Olympic Club in the Pacific Coast Championships were twelve medals won out of a possible seventeen and

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*Action Pictures of Annual Juvenile Picnic Held
in Grove of The Olympic Club at Lakeside*



Country Club Notes

By Rose Marie Ross

► "BREAK 100 CLUB" throws a party—cause of it all—Katrine Luce. This club, he heretofore described, is made up of members who have not broken 100 in the past two years. As soon as one of its members breaks the barrier—and stumbles into the 90's bracket—this HISTORICAL event to be celebrated by a party—participants assessed one pint of champagne. Accordingly on May 17 such a celebration took place. Katrine Luce, one of our newer, very promising golfers, shot 97 on the Lake course, a few days previously. Dixie Sloman, captain, and Rose Ross, your reporter, were guests (?—admission one pint).

An interview with Katrine: Borne? Yes. When? —! Hummm. Educated? Yes. Where? Portland, Oregon. When were you first cognizant of the fact that golf IS a factor in life? In high school. Were you voted the girl most likely to succeed at this sport? Well—! Hummm. Did you continue golf after graduation? No, not until I joined Lakeside one and a half years ago. Did you start competition with the usual 35 handicap? Yes. And what is your handicap now? 22. Hummmmm! What am I interviewing—a gal or a phenomenon?

MRS. RAYMOND LUCE

Breaks 100. Champagne corks pop.



Sweepstakes were held in the morning followed by a very nice buffet lunch in the golfers' lounge. There were many toasts—especially to Katrine—(who bows out of the club), and Zelia Tatam—originator and Dictator of this organization.

Winners in the Sweepstakes: Mrs. J. Ross, 102-25—77; Mrs. W. Dixon, 111-32—79; Mrs. V. Sloman, 97-16—81; Mrs. R. Luce, 105-22—83; Mrs. A. O. Harwood, 111-28—83; Mrs. C. Hansen, 118-35—83.

The continuation of the Women's No. California Circuit was held at Monterey Peninsula, May 14, 15 and 16, and several of our members participated. Dot Traung tied with Patty Berg and Miss Detwiler for a total of 227, winning score. However, Dot's 72 on the last day was the best round of the event. Jerry St. Clair won the putting prize (25 putts) and Ruth O'Connor—the hole-in-one contest—7 inches from cup.

Happy to report that Claire Ettlinger was winner of the \$100 order on the Fairmont Book Shop, one of the gate prizes of this circuit. Eve Wentz sold her this winning ticket and states that Claire had to be prevailed upon to accept same, as she wished to turn it back for resale for a good cause—the A.W.V.S. Veterans project.

Lakeside Women's Championship Tournament—May 20-23: Miss Ellen Kieser—Low gross—83; Mrs. J. Woollomes—Low net—77. (This score was tied by Mrs. B. O'Connor, but Helen Woollomes won in the play-off.)

Championship Flight: Winner—Miss Ellen Kieser; runner-up—Mrs. H. Brown; defeated 8—Miss Margaret Miller.

First Flight—Winner—Mrs. J. Woollomes; runner-up—Mrs. V. Sloman; defeated 8—Mrs. Victor Carrara.

Second Flight—Winner—Mrs. R. Tatam; runner-up—Mrs. J. Murray; defeated 8—Mrs. W. Dixon.

Third Flight—Winner—Mrs. L. B. Ham; runner-up—Mrs. A. O. Harwood; defeated 8—Mrs. J. Eppler.

Consolation—Mrs. C. Sorenson, 89-13—76. Special Flight—Mrs. H. Kertz, 158 net; Mrs. C. Conrad, 160 net.



MRS. ROY TATAM

Organizer of new Women's 100 Club.

Putting Prize—Mrs. B. P. O'Connor, 26 putts. Pitch and Putt—Miss Angie Parkhurst, Mrs. A. H. Ross—Score, 7. Hole-in-one—Mrs. B. P. O'Connor, 10 feet from pin; Mrs. W. Funsinn, 32 feet from pin.

Kay Sorenson, who played nicely during the tournament, but did not last to the finals, came through with a fine consolation round. Kay does not find much time these days to golf, since she manages her own Food Shoppe—and makes many trips to St. Helena to an invalid husband.

Presentation of trophies was followed by a very delectable buffet luncheon in the golfers' lounge. A decorative sheet cake with Olympic insignia had a place of honor (only temporarily since it was as delicious as it looked). All this was very capably handled by Zeila Tatam and Maggie Herty. Dixie Sloman was the turkey chef. Ellen Kieser was, as usual, the generous dispenser of champagne, which was sipped from all sized and sundry trophies—of which there were many.

Helen Woollomes, who had been suffering from golf inertia, came suddenly to life in this tournament, winning first

Off the Fairway

By Nick Ayer

► "With the wind and the rain in their hair"—and their spectacles well spattered and dripping, the Northern California Seniors enlivened the humidity at Menlo Country Club June 7 and 8 with their annual tournament.

And did low net take a pasting! Just like an ordinary week-end at Lakeside.

Speaking of Lakeside, had this Seniors event been confined solely to Olympia, here's how the Winged "O" lads—55 and up—performed. Not too strong on the low gross, but low net—Lakeside is exceptionally good at low net.

George Bryant was Olympia's low gross champ while H. E. Perley would have won low net in Class A—70 and up. Harry Haviside shot low gross in Class B and Mob McGahie took low net. That old campaigner, Jack Glenn, carded low gross among the Olympians in Class C and Joe Tipp with a net 133 was low in that department. Monty Montgomery had the best gross score in Class D with 159. Kid George Cruden was quicker with the mathematics—low net, 132.

What the Winged "O" boys did at Menlo:

Class A—H. E. Perley, 182-38—144; George Bryant, 176-30—146; Harry Goedje, 202-40—162.

Class B—Hugh McKevitt, 200-44—156; Dr. T. H. O'Connor, N.R.; H. T. Haviside, 178-34—155; R. J. McGahie, 180-40—140; Pete Gerhardt, 181-28—153; Ralph Newell, 203-36—167; Dr. H. C. Peters, 218-50—168.

Class C—Jack Glenn, 164-13—138; J. H. Tipp, 165-32—133; James W. Taylor, 174-32—142; A. T. Gillespie, 175-20—155; R. T. Lyons, 176-26—150; S. C. Rassmussen, 178-34—144; Dr. J. E. Bohm, 190-32—158; Gus Elbow, 212-48—164; R. M. Ridley, N.R.

Class D—H. R. Montgomery, 159-20—139; E. N. Ayer, 160-26—134; George Cruden, 162-30—132; John R. Hayes, 167-24—143; H. L. Reid, 167-30—137; P. E. Leland, 172-26—146; Harold Herty, 173-36—147; A. H. Ross, 178-?; John Lesoine, 188-40—148; Cyril Appel, 192-44—148; E. H. Peterson, 193-38—155; W. T. Wright, N.R.



FREE TEETH

The medics and the dentists sponsored the Twilight Tournament on June 18 with every assurance that there would be no aches, no pains, and the cure-all boys promised plenty in the way of fun, food and frolic. And they made good in every detail. In fact, they had all of the fairways on the Lake lowered two inches. And among the prizes awarded were three free extractions, two shots of novocain and one slightly used plate, practically new.

The co-chairmen were Drs. Elwood Frates and Ed Stadtherr ably assisted and abetted by four stalwart workers.

BREEZY BREVITIES

Fred Hoblitt is on his way to Japan to testify in the War Crimes Trial. Fred spent three years in a Jap prison camp. . . . Two proud fathers, Don Fleming and Hughie Smith, are passing out the cigars in honor of two bouncing baby girls. Hughie's daughter is Yvette Ann and Don's, Bonnie Jean. . . . George Stemple Jr. married Jane Harrol on June 1 and immediately thereafter the young couple enplaned for Honolulu on a D-6 for a two weeks' honeymoon. . . . Bill Brown became a groom on June 21.

Both Doc Tom Brennan and Fred Bonney are hotter than a pair of two dollar pistols. Doc had a 75 and Bonney a 77 on

the Ocean recently. . . . Ray O'Connor, always quick to develop a headache, back-ache or tired-ache while wrangling with Bill Fowler on the first tee, is again cavorting on both Lake and Ocean. . . . Dave Anderson is home again after six weeks in Canada and John Clerico has returned from New York and way points after six months' absence. His pal, Joe Lunny, has taken advantage of John's absence—still a 17 handicap—shoots close to 81 with an occasional 82.

National Amateur: All of our boys with handicaps of 4 or less are eligible to qualify for the United States National Amateur Tournament to be held at Pebble Beach September 8 to 13 inclusive. Practice rounds to be held at Lakeside August 7—qualifying round, August 26. Certainly the Olympic Club should be represented in the U. S. National Amateur.

Never Again: Captain "Kid Harold" Herty shot an 82 in our last Twilight Tournament. So happy was Captain Harold that he over-celebrated—lost his prize—tore off his garage doors—slightly dented his car—and was but definitely warned by his wife that she was on her way to Mississippi next morning. The Captain is an 18 handicapper and swears that henceforth he hopes to be shot if he shoots less than 95.

Short Shorts: We've missed Milt Durand from our fairways for some little time. Milt has been ill. We are waiting for his return, cheery laugh, good sportsmanship and all. . . . Pebble Beach has attracted the Ray Luces, J. L. Murrays and the John F. Rosses. These eminent golfers delight in the many attractions of the Monterey Peninsula. . . . Among our new members we find B. J. Holmes, specialist in frozen turkeys, Louis Arata and George Portello, both cold storage experts, too, and Lee Casperson, a big butter and egg man.

Johnny Battini was prime mover for the Northern California P.G.A. Rehabilitation Fund on May 10. Prizes, mostly golf balls all donated by Johnny, were the rewards in this blind bogie event. Seventy-six was the lucky number: H. L.

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Annual Handball Banquet

By The Editor

► Annual handball banquet held in the main dining-room of the City Club last month at the conclusion of the championship handball tournament brought out the customary large crowd of present day and former stars of the courts. Beautiful trophies were distributed to the winners and runners-up of the various flights, while numerous door prizes served to satisfy the diners who held the lucky numbers.

Newly elected Handball Commissioner Frank Knill was master of ceremonies and not only proved himself a good MC but also surprised the boys with a few vocal numbers during the musical hour put on by the efficient Olympic Club orchestra.

Former Handball Commissioner Harvey Crane in a snappy address called upon all handball players and others to get behind the new head of the department and keep this popular sport at the top of the list in athletic activities. He pointed out the difficulties always encountered in directing handball tournaments and that success only could be assured by the heartiest cooperation on the part of the players and former devotees of the courts.

Stressing the importance of keeping The Olympic Club in the front rank of handball competition Dr. Albert de Ferrari, athletic chairman, called upon the membership to support Frank Knill and to keep an eagle eye on all prospects capable of developing into star performers on the courts of the Winged O Club. He also paid a glowing tribute to the retiring commissioner for his eight years of service in this most difficult post.

Two Directors of the Club, Jack Rice and Nelson Jones, also addressed the diners, as well as Henry Helwig, one-time handball commissioner, and Frank Herman, editor of THE OLYMPIAN.

It was a big night for Frank Knill and presages a brilliant future for handball under his guidance and leadership.



Winners of Fourth Class in annual doubles handball championship tournament of The Olympic Club—Jack Miner and Eddie Kay. This photo was snapped during an exciting volley of final match. Note ball in air.

New Doubles Champs

By Martin Judnich

One of the most successful doubles tournaments in The Olympic Club's handball history has been concluded after approximately 100 hard fought and well attended matches were played in five classes of competition. It was the first time in many years that four out of five in the winner's bracket met defeat at the hands of the survivors in the loser's bracket in the finals, thus necessitating play-offs in four classes.

Frank Knill, Handball Commissioner,

devoted considerable energy in conducting his first doubles tournament, not to mention the fact that he and his partner, Henry Stecher, worked hard to win second honors in First Class.

The new champions and second place winners are as follows: *Champions:* Fourth Class, Jack Miner and Ed Kay. Third Class, Duke Hanaford and Russ Rose. Second Class, Bill Quayle and Earle Lindstrom. First Class, Tom Sullivan and Norman Marisch. *Championship,* Roy Leu and Mike de la Pena. *Second Place Winners:* Fourth Class, Larry Anderson

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Close Spin and Swim Race

By Harold W. Webb

► For the third consecutive month the Spin and Swim race has been a dog fight between Ed Anderson's Blue Flying Fish and Tom Ferguson's Red Seals. These two teams have been practically neck and neck since the race started March 1. The standings of the four teams after three months of swimming is as follows:

Flying Fish	14,085 lengths
Seals	13,970 lengths
Fighting Irish	12,302 lengths
River Rats	9,697 lengths

The handsome Olympians shown in the picture are the first that reached the sunny shores of Avalon, Catalina Island. They are the intrepid leaders that did not miss one day's swimming and on May 26 completed, in a tie, the 800 lengths to qualify as 1947 Sea Lions and to have their names engraved on the Spin and Swim Roll of Honor.

Out of the first seven to hit the beach at Catalina, three, Preston Wand, Harry Rether and D. Bazzanella, were seen to crawl up on the sand for a sun bath and to see the beauties, but not the three great competitors of the Flying Fish, Captain Anderson and the Wallfisch brothers, Otto and George, and not Henry Johnson of the Seals, who is the sole survivor of the other three teams that has swum without missing a day. They are on their way back to San Francisco. Each hoping to swim daily without a break.

But wait, you hard to catch leaders, look behind you. Right at your heels comes F. O'Donnell of the Fighting Irish. He has missed but one day, the first day of the race I believe, which was good for eight laps. Too bad he missed and too much credit cannot be bestowed on this fine swimmer for his great and consistent effort to overcome the leaders. Hats off to Olympian O'Donnell, a true competitor.

The following swimmers also completed the first leg of the race, biting at the toes of the non-stoppers: F. O'Donnell, James W. Paramore, Tom Ferguson, Ted Monel, Harold Webb, Jack Cavanaugh, J. Scott Leary finished in the order named.

You know, this Spin and Swim race is really something. Most of us that have



Photo finish for Sea Lions in Spin and Swim race to mythical Catalina Island. Intrepid swimmers completed first 800 laps in a tie with the proud record of not missing a single day during the contest which started March 1. Left to right: Captain E. Anderson, George Wallfisch, Preston Wand, Harry Rethers, Otto Wallfisch, Henry Johnson. (Seated) D. Bazzanella.

entered, are genuinely enthusiastic and have a heck of a lot of fun. It is necessary to use our imagination in great gobs and using it causes one to develop this sense that is ordinarily rarely ever discovered. You might call it kidding yourself, but don't tell a Sea Lion that. He is not swimming up and down the Club swimming pool. He is out in the ocean from March 1 to December 31, swimming to that imaginary destination, looking into the book, equivalent to over his shoulder, to see how far he is ahead of his nearest competitor.

Yes, we imagined we all took off March 1 from San Francisco and headed out through the Gate and down the Coast to Catalina. Each day missed caused apprehension and chagrin to those who fought to hold a lead or to stay in the race. Even if you do fall behind you still fight to stay ahead of another competitor whose sole aim is to overtake you. One

hundred lengths, two hundred lengths. You watch carefully and you can just see yourself off Santa Cruz, Monterey and on down the Coast to approach Point Concepcion and into Santa Barbara Channel to pass the Santa Cruz and Santa Rosa Islands. Finally you reach Catalina and swim down its easterly shore to Avalon, touch the beach and head back home to San Francisco.

Swimming north you run smack into a sea packed with Olympians still "going south" and you wonder if the team is keeping up its average, if the fellow ahead is tiring, or if the one behind is gaining. In fact, you wonder if some of the boys had forgotten to leave the Club. They do not seem to be visible to the eye. Maybe they swim under water. They might have decided not to make the swim. Sure enough. You look in the book and there, big as life, is the name of "so and so" without one length of the pool to

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Reid, 94-18—76; F. Barsocchini, 91-15—76; Jud Sawyer, 89-13—76; R. J. Langlais, 93-17—76; Ray O'Connor, 87-11—76; George Milner, 90-14—76; George Millett, 90-14—76; L. Ferrari, Jr., 87-11—76.

Curly Le Clercq came into his own on May 18 to win the Medal Sweepstakes. Curly hits the ball a country mile and if said drive stays on the property it's highly probable Curly will win. On May 18, Curly, the drives and approaches did just that. Other winners follow: Class A—Le Clercq, 80-12—68; W. K. Chapman, 82-12—70; R. Gowans, 79-8—70. Class B—G. Brown, Sr., 85-16—79; D. Colvin, 86-16—70; G. Cruden, 87-16—71; Al Ross, 86-15—71.

At Lakeside Berwick is a familiar name. And again the irresponsible Andy S. Berwick won first prize in the May 21 Twilight Tournament. How that boy gets by with his handicap is beyond comprehension. Class A—A. S. Berwick, 39-6½—32½; C. R. Redlich, 40-7—33; J. R. Hayes, 41-7½—33½. Class B—Captain H. B. Herty, 39-9—30; C. L. Conlan, 42-9—33; J. E. Peggs, 42-9—33. Class C—A. L. Harrigan, 44-12—32; E. H. Ewing, 43-10½—32½; P. Weissenberger, 45-11½—33½; M. Naify, 45-11½—33½.

Brassie Reports: Locker room 33: "Hi, gang! Haven't seen a club since I left. Boy, will I be a pushover for you birds when I get back in July!"—Brassie. Thus does Brassie Braskamp address his fellow players from New Orleans, Louisiana. The references "haven't seen a club" and "pushover" are indeed debatable.

Ted Spread gave the boys a treat when he spread-eagled the 16th on the Lake recently. Ted is to be congratulated. . . . Ed Kuntz, eminent lumberman from Dayton, Ohio, dropped his second, a 6-iron shot, into the cup on the Lake's 18th while Al Nolan, Joe Luddy and Barney White shivered in their shoes. It was the payoff shot and Mr. Kuntz returned to Ohio with quantities of our local moola.

When the old guard celebrated their annual party in Menlo in May, Charlie Conlan, our celebrated vice-chairman of the Country Club Committee, tossed a nonchalant 78 at his fellow players, thus establishing low gross and low net at one and the same time. . . . And at the same party, J. W. Taylor, eminent Lakesidean, sat there like a bump on a pickle while J. H. Taylor was being paged to collect

a prize that was actually won by J. W. Taylor! Suoocha business!

Otto Sizzles: June 1 was a nice sunny day, a swell day for medal sweepstakes, and Harold Otto on that occasion was very much on his stick, picking his ball out of the Lake's 18th after the 76 stroke. The names McVicar, Cruden and Herty continue to appear among the winners as follows: Class A—Harold Otto, 86-8—68; E. B. McVicar, 82-12—70; Russ Thomas, 83-12—71. Class B—George Cruden, 83-16—67; Frank Brown, 84-16—68; George Mack, 84-14—70. Class C—H. B. Herty, 87-18—69; Al Nolan, 98-25—73.

Sub-seventy nets continue as Frank Bate takes the Lake apart with an 80, and the name Berwick pops up again in the following list: Class A—Frank Bate, 80-12—68; A. S. Berwick, 82-13—69; A. Frediani, 83-13—70; Tom Kemp, 82-12—70. Class B—Murray White, 86-16—70; L. S. Ackerman, 88-16—72; George Cruden, 88-16—72.

Hank Sheehy Says: When the insurance and real estate men gave their big Twilight Tournament and kick-up, something over twenty prizes were distributed while the Neapolitan Quartet gave with music and songs. The winners: Class A—Andy Berwick, 39-6½—32½; Chris Redlich, 40-7—23; Jack Hayes, 41-7½—33½. Class B—Captain H. B. Herty, 39-9—30; Charles Conlan, 42-9—33; Eddie Peggs, 42-9—33. Class C—Drew Harrington, 44-12—32; Ed Ewing, 43-10½—32½; Paul Weisenberg, 45-11½—33½; M. Naify, 45-11½—33½.

All of Victor Carrara's friends wish him to know that everyone is very sorry to learn of his recent loss by fire when his place of business was reduced to ashes.

It is respectfully suggested that Walter Malberg either practice more or take a few lessons so that he may maintain his 15 handicap. Only a few corrections, Walter, are required according to your playing pals—your driving, your brassie shots, your iron approach shots and your putting. Outside of that your game is perfect and it may be that Johnny Battini could give you a little help, thus saving the embarrassment of having your handicap increased to 20.

In the interest of saving time now that the courses are quite crowded, it has been suggested that Jim Taylor carry more than one tee with him when he starts out to play eighteen holes. Jim has a favorite red tee and refuses to shoot until after he has recovered it after each tee.

Some people enjoy reading the telephone directory; others get a kick out of the dictionary. But for the ultimate in literary exploration, the card file showing the scores of the members is highly recommended. The most interesting reading are the scores NOT turned in.

By George: A strang co-insolence came to pass Father's Day, June 15, when the Georges Mack, Millett and Sturiza won all the cocoanuts in Class B of the Medal Sweepstakes. In the meantime Bill Brown, Bob Roos and Monty Montgomery were making away in a three-way tie for Class A honors: W. J. Brown, 78-9—69; Bob Roos, Jr., 72-3—69; H. R. Montgomery, 79-10—69. Class B—George Mack, 83-14—69; George Millett, 85-14—71; George Sturiza, 85-13—72. Class C—Murray White, 85-16—69; C. C. Welch, 85-16—69; Captain H. B. Herty, 87-18—69.

It's the Shift: On page 14 of Patty Berg's book, Russ Thomas has discovered that golf and the rhumba are closely related. "Hip shifting movement," says Russ, "can be well used in both lines of endeavor." Just when and how to shift—ah, that's the problem. One day Russ shoots in the low 80's and the next day in the high 90's. The answer is in the hip shift.

In reporting the casualties of the Handicap Committee in the last issue reference was made to Ronnie Glasgow and how his handicap was chopped from 20 to 16. Ronnie wasn't disturbed about the reduction in handicap, but he was slightly burned because he was wrongly named. His name isn't Ronnie nor Reginald, but Randall and Randall it must be henceforth.

Signs Down: The Golf Committee has passed a resolution, "Resolved, That the signs on all par three holes permitting driving from the tee when the players of the preceding foursome are on the green be eliminated and that no one be permitted to drive on par three holes until the preceding players have holed out." In other words, in brief, don't drive on the par three's until the preceding players have holed out.

New Out-of-Bounds Rules: For those one or two players who might be concerned with out-of-bounds signs on the various holes, the following regulations were recently adopted by the Golf Committee:

LAKE COURSE: 1st hole—Highway fence on left. 12th hole—Over fence back of green. (Markers to be nailed on fence.) 13th, 14th and 15th holes—One yard

east from first line of tree trunks on left side of fairway. (Markers to be placed.)

OCEAN COURSE: 3rd hole—Left side of fairway as designated by markers; 3rd hole, right side, highway fence. 4th hole—Ravine across fairway, markers to be placed on top of ravine on both sides; also fence back of green, 4th hole, markers to be placed on fence. 5th, 6th and 7th holes—Highway fence on right. 8th hole—Property line fence on right. 18th hole—Right side of fairway as designated by markers and back of green as indicated by markers—out-of-bounds sign back of garage on 18th hole to be removed.

Former Olympic Club Boxers Hold Reunion

Joe Niderost, boxing commissioner, presided at a dinner last month which brought together quite a number of boxers who donned the padded mitts for The Olympic Club in amateur boxing bouts in the yesteryear. Many of these former Winged O ringmen won national titles and brought home valuable trophies. Just a glance over the following list of names and you'll recall some of the hectic battles in which they participated.

Seated at the banquet table were Joe Bernal, Billy Leonard, J. Dunning, Jack Downey, Joe Lynch, Jack Bailey, Hal Yont, Armond Emanuel, A. Odle, T. C. Hudelson, Mareld Tidwell, Frank Tucker, Angelo Fuste, Manuel Fuste, Henry Fuste, D. J. Shields, Billie Burke, Eddie James, Charles Anderson, Jack McPartland, John Wilmans, Bobby Andrews, Sam Eckstein, H. Graham Higgins, Edward Mahoney, Eugene Mulligan, Spider Roach, Fred Murphy, Adolph Washauer, Charlie Cournale, Fred Apostoli, John A. Calegan, John Moretto, Joseph Sheridan, Harry Smith, Dr. Henry Domeniconi, Gene Holtkamp, Dr. Charles Ertola and Charlie Hunter.

Niderost plans to hold similar gatherings of former Olympian boxers at regular intervals during the year in order that they can rehash events connected with the training camp and just how they scored a K.O. or met a Tartar with a wallop.

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Above is a photo of the present Senior National A. A. U. Wrestling championship team which hails from Cornell College in Mt. Vernon, Iowa. The picture was sent to The Olympic Club's trainer, Billy Von Poellnitz, in appreciation of his services during the tournament which was held here in The Olympic Club gymnasium last April. The squad is shown grouped behind the beautiful team trophy which they took home with them, much to the satisfaction of their coach, Paul Scott.

Norbert Kortés, Prominent Attorney, Former Athlete, Dies

Death last month took Norbert Kortés, well known attorney and popular Olympian. Deceased was keenly interested in all forms of athletics and during his high school and college career developed into quite a star. For two years he was captain of the Santa Clara basketball team, and also was an outstanding rugby and American football player. He gave up a chance to compete in the Olympic games, declining an invitation to participate in order to go to Harvard Law School, from which he graduated with high honors.

Kortés always was prominently identified with Santa Clara college affairs, having served as president of the student body and as president of the alumni, as well as being a member of the Board of Athletic Control.

He is survived by his widow, Cecelia, and four children.

Y. M. C. A. Invitational Doubles

Bob Brady, second ranking nationals singles handballer, teamed with George Souza, to win the 1947 Y.M.C.A. Invitational Doubles cup from their fellow Elks, "Pep" Tocchini and Sid Pasquini in a three-game match.

Frank Knill, O. C. handball commis-

sioner, experimented by pairing hard hitting Jack "Lefty" Tehaney with Roy Leu. This new Olympic Club team won third place, losing only to Brady and Souza in two hard fought games, 21-18 and 21-19.

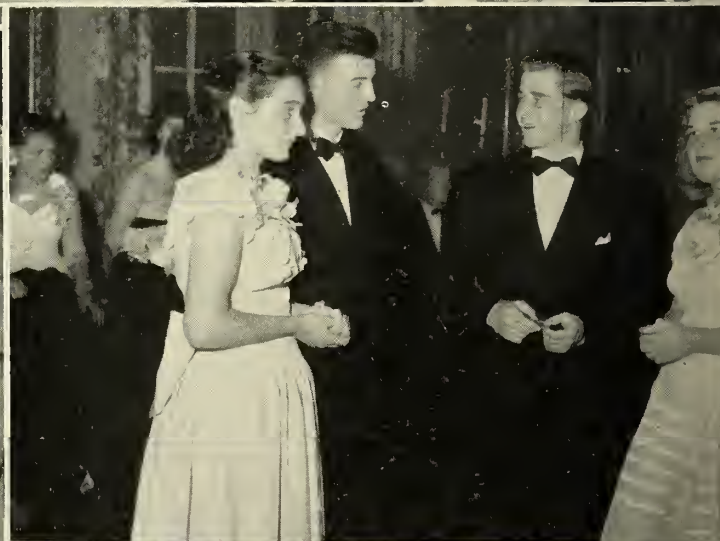
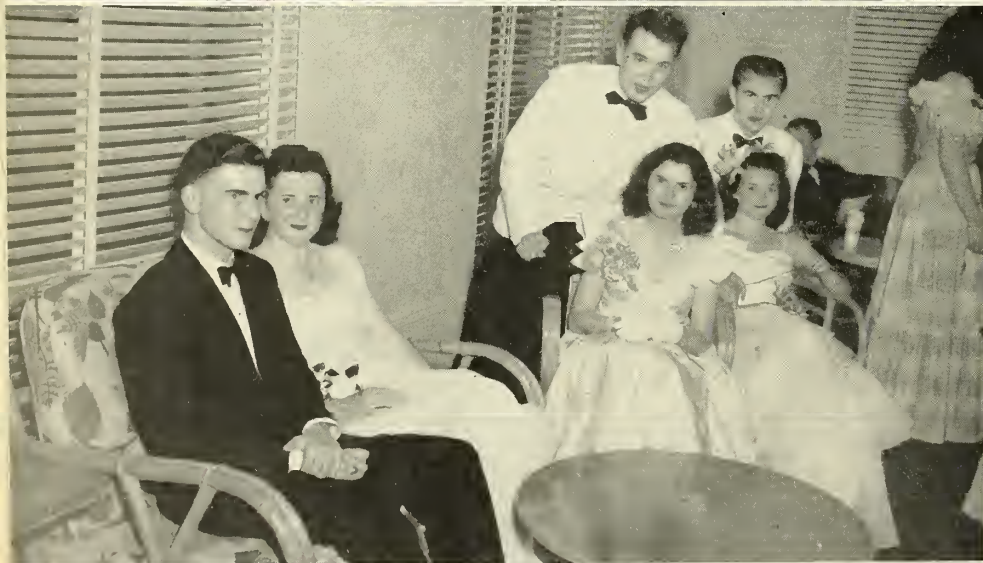
Jules Michelucci and Bill Keays of the Winged "O," also played excellent handball, being eliminated in the quarter finals by Tocchini and Pasquini, 21-20 and 21-12.

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Annual Junior Prom held last month at the Country Club was a gala affair, participated in by 250 couples. These pictures give some idea of how the evening was spent. Upper photos (right to left): The newly organized committee which will function during the coming months to handle the social activities of the Juniors. This 'teen-age couple won the elimination prize waltz contest. Sextet anxiously await the resumption of dancing. Chaperon party and their children. (Center) Resting between dances. Watching the waltzers compete. Harkness' syncopators and happy youngsters tripping the light fantastic. Two lower rows show various groups during and between dances.



Brother!

THAT'S NAVIGATIN'!

By Neill C. Wilson

► Like the staunch old cable cars, which give such honest picturesque service, there's another old-time San Francisco institution which deserves a cheer and a bit of practical recognition.

That's the sternwheel steamboat *Petaluma*, last of a heroic breed, which plies nightly between Pier 3 and the head of Petaluma Creek.

Once there was an immense fleet of paddlewheel steamers doing a commercial job on California inland waters. Of them all, the good ship *Petaluma* is the last. But she's still out there pitching, especially when she hits the swells off Alcatraz. And on account of her great record for stout-hearted dependability, she'll probably be doing business for many a day to come. You can see her almost any evening about 6:15, chugging along on her businesslike errand, which is to make the 36 miles up to Petaluma by midnight, chuck her freight into a couple of waiting trains, pick up her return load, and splash back to San Francisco by seven or eight the next morning.

When you see the *Petaluma* out there on the bay, her smokestack way back in her lap and the sunset's rays bouncing off her once-white sides, look twice. She's one of the traditions of the western seas and the bays and inlets thereof. To get her away from her pier and started on her adventurous little voyage, hedged in as she was by fishing boats, her pilot had to do some nifty juggling. He eased her stern out, moseyed back and forth a couple of times, backed off, sent her nose-into the wharf, caught her on the bounce with engines full astern, and flipped her out of there. Nice work with a 175-foot steamboat, if you can do it.

BUCKS FOG AND TIDES

That was the start of a cruise that has more twists and turns to it than most ships meet on a voyage from San Francisco to China.

For after she's shaken loose, she has to buck winds and tides. Somebody is always leaving the Golden Gate open and inviting the gales and currents to sweep in and out. With seven-knot engines that were built 63 years ago and have wooden pitmans, or connecting rods, she charges into that. As she draws about as much



CAPTAIN JACK URTON

Famous pilot who has been navigating the ancient Sternwheeler *Petaluma*—last of the old paddlewheelers—through all sorts of weather from San Francisco to the chicken center of the U. S. A. daily for many decades.

water as a straw hat, and stands high out of the water like a sail, it takes seaman-ship to get her through traffic and past fixed obstacles.

But it's when the fog clamps down that Captain John H. Urton or Pilot Anton Gloss gets his real test. That's when he has to navigate by compass, watch, skill, instinct, and memory, together with a few helpful prayers and plenty of tension across the seat of the pants.

Five or six miles beyond the rocks known as The Brothers is the beginning of a dredged channel over "The Flats"—the shallows of San Pablo Bay's north shore. In the fog it's a blind run of about an hour with not a bell, light, whistle or even a bad smell to tell the pilot where he is. He often has to chug against a cross-tide that reaches a speed of 6½ miles an hour, keep in mind the kind of curve that's putting him into, and perhaps deal with an occasional battlegun or oil tanker that comes charging down out of nowhere into nowhere. Yes, son, that's navigatin'.

BELL BUOY ONLY GUIDE

What he's heading for is a buoy, marking the beginning of the dredged channel. The buoy has a bell on it in foggy season, as well as an echo board. But the bell only rings when the waves jog it, and in foggy weather there's no wind and usually no

waves. But that buoy has to be located exactly. Not half a dozen times in fifteen years has the steamer missed the entrance to that 200-foot channel.

Beyond the buoy which is so all-important lie seven to ten miles of steaming over the north bay shallows known as The Flats before Petaluma Creek is reached. That narrow, submerged channel can't be strayed from, or the good ship *Petaluma* will find herself up on Hamilton Field or in the admiral's lap at Mare Island.

Black Point guards the creek or slough that pierces the marshes and meadows for the remaining half of the journey. The vessel toots three big ones for the drawbridge, slides through. From here on the boat has a 60-foot channel and maybe six feet of water, but the boat is 36 feet wide and draws 4½ feet when loaded—and, as mentioned, there's apt to be some fog. Sea fog or tule fog. In such conditions the craft has to feel her way along by compass and timepiece.

ZIG-ZAG CHANNEL

In the next sixteen miles there are more than eighty changes of course. The longest straight stretch lasts six minutes. In one place there's a 7-point swing to be done in exactly six minutes, when the conditions are "average," and an error of 15 seconds either way will throw the

ship on the mud. This where the banks can't even be seen! And two of the courses, around "Cloudy Bend," are of exactly 30 seconds each.

There are only four points in the entire sixteen miles where a good reliable echo can be obtained for checking purposes. And at some places, clear moonlight renders the banks as invisible as does a drenching fog. Yes, it's an art to keep the steamboat for Petaluma town from coming to rest amid the cows and haystacks.

For further problems, the tide rises and falls in that winding ditch with astonishing surge and gurgle. The maximum between low and high tide in that slough is as much as 13 feet.

The Petaluma and her old associate, the Gold (which burned in 1928) used to carry passengers, but the Petaluma gave up her passenger-carrying license in order to do a faster freight-handling job.

LUCKY BUT WET PASSENGERS

Sometimes passengers do get on board, but they have to do it the hard way. There was the night not long ago when Captain Jack Urton was at the wheel, sliding up from Pablo Point and thinking about his ranch up Sebastopol way. He heard hollers for help. Two fishermen had had their motor boat dive out from under them and had just had time to step out with life jackets clutched in their hands. They'd been afloat for four black hours. Nobody had heard their frantic yells. When the steamboat's lights approached, their strength was about gone—that set of hollers was almost the last they had in the locker.

But Captain Jack heard them. Operating in complete darkness, he had a lifeboat in the water and the men on board his old egg crate within thirteen minutes. One of them gulped steamboat coffee—which kills or cures—and the other accepted, at Jack Urton's hands, a massage that was also guaranteed to kill or cure. It cured. The man being massaged turned out to own a nursery business and as Jack needed some new trees for his orchard, he negotiated while he pummeled. He made it clear that he meant to pay for the trees, but also made it clear that they'd better be good ones.

And there was the time Anton Gloss, while piloting on the down run, peered out into the dark night and thought he saw a skiff down on the water. Tony's eyes are those of an old sailorman who could go down into a dark hold on a

starless night and find a black hat for you; but this time he thought he'd use his searchlight. He threw the beam on the water and a flock of canvasback ducks rode straight up it and through the glass window. Captain Jack was asleep in his cabin right below. When all hell broke loose in the pilot house, he came up the ladder in nothing flat—and found Tony holding the wheel with his foot and fighting six-pound birds.

SLUMBERING FISHERMAN IRED

Back in the days when the steamer carried passengers, there was the fisherman who bought a ticket for Lakeville. That's a landing on the creek a few miles below Petaluma. It was a Saturday afternoon and the fisherman, all dressed up for Sunday's sport, had arranged to meet his friends at the fishing site. He decided to take forty winks and asked to be roused in plenty of time to get off at Lakeville at about 11 p.m.

Captain Urton promised to call him, but, what with one thing and another, he had his vessel docked at Petaluma before he thought of the sleeping man. It was the noise of unloading freight that brought the passenger on deck. "Where am I?" he yelled. "Petaluma," soothed Captain Jack. "But never mind—I'll drop you at Lakeville on the way back. You can't fish anyway until daylight."

They left Petaluma at 3 a.m. Again the fisherman decided to get in a few winks until Lakeville should be reached. But again the Pilot got to thinking about those bends and courses, and when the fisherman awoke and went on deck, there was the well-known Ferry Tower looking down at him. Blistered paint marks the spot where he stood and expressed himself.

Time was when the steamboat would meet as many as a dozen others of her kind as she pushed by Pablo Point. But no longer. The only other paddlewheeler in sight is anchored fast to the point and doing business as a fish reduction factory.

But the Petaluma chugs along. She bats the water into spray and does her daily stint, a brave and scrappy old craft that knows her job and is proud of the way she handles it.

Coast Fencing Title Captured

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while the Olympic Club entered fewer fencers than it has in a long time it nevertheless accounted for as many medals as ever.

FENCERS HONOR HALBERSTADT

The Amateur Fencers League of America which is the official body in charge of Amateur Fencing in the United States recently notified Hans Halberstadt, the fencing coach of the Olympic Club, that he had been awarded the League's Professional Certificate of Merit. This certificate is awarded to those teachers of fencing in the United States whose pupils have had conspicuous success in competitions held under the auspices of the A. F. L. A. and who have increased the quality of fencing in their respective localities.

Halberstadt easily qualifies on both points. This year in the Northern California Championships the pupils of Halberstadt won every competition with one exception. The year before he started to teach in San Francisco the Northern California fencers won only five medals in the Pacific Coast Championships of that year out of a possible ninety or so whereas this year the Northern California Fencers equalled the performance of the boys from Los Angeles and accounted for as many medals as their opponents.

In addition to being the fencing coach at The Olympic Club, Halberstadt also conducts his own school of fencing.



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Country Club Social Functions

The dining room of the Country Club on June 7 had all the ear-marks of graduation day at a girls' college. Pretty girls seated around a table banked with gorgeous flowers, attired in the latest of spring gowns, made a picturesque setting for the luncheon presided over by Miss Kathleen Handlos, who was hostess to all of her classmates graduating from St. Rose Academy. Her guests were: Diane van der Zee, Joan Hallinan, Shirley Holland, Marion Jakobsen, Joan Fennimore, Carole Hay, Bernadette Flaherty, Nancy Murray, Barbara Trainor, Patricia Burns.

Marge Tracy, Barbara Rotenkolber, Cecile Paynter, Joan Durieux, Kathleen Boyle, Jean Richardson, Jean Schilling, Joan Collins, Joan Ettinger, Corinne Lambert, Betty Sullivan, Joan C. Schulz, Pat Sullivan, Sheila O'Connor, Catherine Janet Brown, Carol Brierly, Diane MacNeil, Jo Ann Moody, Joan Parry, Rena Salvoni, Marg Rand, Patricia Coret.

Kathleen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Royal E. Handlos, had an adjoining table with their daughter Patricia and their young son Michael.

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The dinner given by Dr. and Mrs. Frank Sheehy for their daughter, Emelda Sheehy, upon her graduation from Miss Harker's School in Palo Alto was a pretentious affair. Table decorations were dozens and dozens of American Beauty roses. Guests were: Dr. and Mrs. Colin McRea, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith, Mr.

and Mrs. James Smith, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Dean, Dr. Ernest Sloman, Mrs. Miles Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. A. Seifert, Bernice Damont, Madeline Carr, Elvira Seminario, Lila Delahanty, and Frank Sheehy, Jr. After vacation, Miss Sheehy plans to attend Vasser.

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Mrs. Norman Elkington gave a luncheon for sixteen to wish Mrs. Chester MacPhee bon voyage. Mr. and Mrs. MacPhee said, pooh, pooh to Friday the 13th and sailed on that date with their three children, Joan, Jane and Chester, Jr., to spend a month at the Royal Hawaiian in Honolulu.

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Another pooh-pooher was Sam Smith, who will spend a month at the Royal Hawaiian.

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Upon her retirement as president of the executive board of the Commodore Sloat School, Mrs. Andrew Crow gave a luncheon for twenty-six to welcome the new president, Mrs. A. I. Melmon. During the table talk, Mrs. Crow announced that she will now become chairman of the Coördinating Council of San Francisco.

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The gayly decorated table, with Mrs. John L. Flynn as hostess, was for her mother, Mrs. Mary Stumpf on her birthday. Those who came to sing Happy Birthday were: Mrs. Theodore Wores, Mrs. Richard Quinlan, Mrs. Wm. Hert-

field, Mrs. Wm. Volmer, Mrs. H. Periolet, Mrs. James Raas, and Mrs. Theodore Kerski.

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Mrs. William Freed entertained at a luncheon for twenty-four. The guest of honor was Mrs. Freed's sister, Mrs. Rich Budelier, visiting Rotarian, from Beverly Hills.

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Another June luncheon was presided over by Mrs. Robert Mowat. Those who were gathered around the smartly decorated table were: Mesdames John Linderman, Robert Keon, Carlton White, John L. McClenahan, Leonard Aregger, Arthur Fields, Burt Skow, Jack England, Robert McGuire, Felix Anido, Paul O'Rourke and Bernard Moran.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Scheifer entertained at a wedding breakfast at Lakeside in honor of the dual weddings of their son, Jack Scheifer to Irene Rossi and Irene's twin sister Edith to Daryl Hastings. Jack Scheifer, formerly of the U. S. Marines, is a graduate of the University of San Francisco. He and his bride will spend a few weeks in Yosemite. Mr. and Mrs. Hastings will spend their honeymoon in Lake County.

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Donald A. Cameron, foreman pro tem. of the Grand Jury, was host at a dinner given in honor of members of the Grand Jury. It is Mr. Cameron's intention to inaugurate a yearly custom of such a gathering in order that good fellowship and friendship be more firmly established. Because of their unstinted willingness of time and effort to the success of the Grand Jury, the following gentlemen have been singled out for special distinction: Chief Charles Dullea, Hon. Edward P. Murphy, James McNally, Patrick Brown, Norman Elkington, John Kerrigan, Marshall Leahy, David Supple and Henry C. Maginn. The regular members of the Grand Jury present were: Wm. Benson, Jos. Bonzani, Graham Holibird, David A. Hughes, Mel A. Hulling, J. S. Kleen, Chris McKeon, Mel Nathan, Angelo Petri, Morris Rowles, Max Schulz, Jack Smith, Karl Snow, Frank Soracco, Edward Ward and Arthur Wilkens. Henry C. Maginn, formerly foreman of the Grand Jury, acted as master of ceremonies.

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Olympic Club Gymnastic Team Wins Second Place

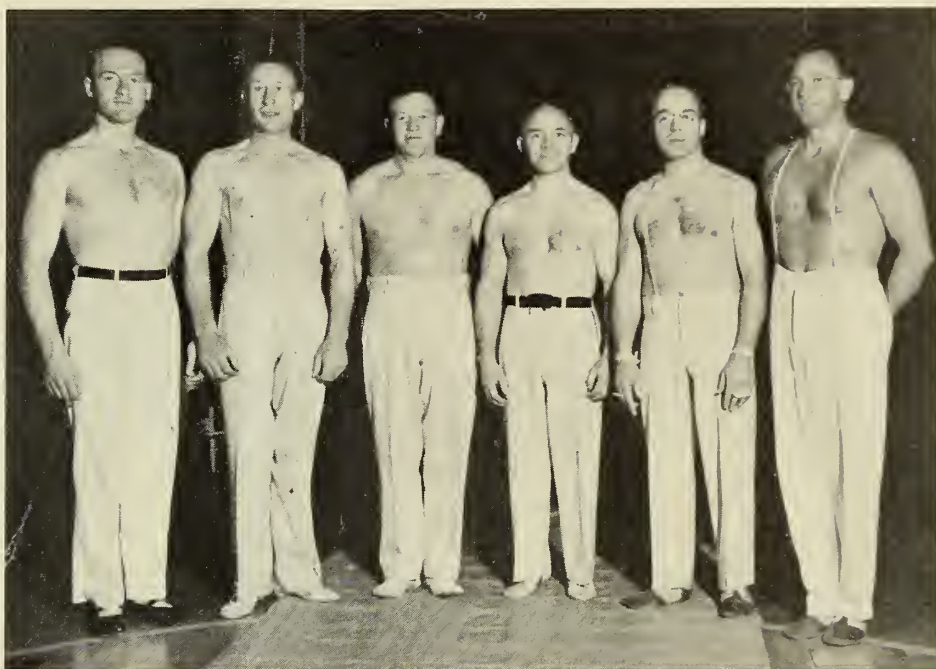
By Rudy Illing

On May 23 the Y.M.C.A. of San Francisco held its first open invitational gymnastic meet for the Bay Area in its gymnasium on Golden Gate Avenue, with The Olympic Club's Gymnastic Commissioner, Rudolph Illing, acting as honorary referee.

The meet was quite a success. There were 154 entries for the various events listed, and competition was really tough. The University of California, Stanford, Fremont Athletic Club, Fremont High School and the Y.M.C.A.'s of Berkeley, Oakland and San Francisco furnished an astonishing number of excellent performers.

The results for the Olympic Club gymnasts were as follows: Rope Climb—Wally Hanson, first place. Horizontal Bar—John B. Gardner, first place. Horizontal Bar—Harry Jozifek, third place. Parallel Bars—H. Don Beverforden, fourth place. Rings—H. Don Beverforden, third place. All-Around—Harry Jozifek, second place.

Although Kenneth Randall in the All-Around and Anthony Mendoza in the Parallel Bar event did not place, they gave a splendid performance and it is a cer-



CLUB GYMNASTS MAKE FINE SHOWING

Members of The Olympic Club Gymnastics team display good form in competition against the pick of bay area gymnasts. Left to right: Ken Randall, Wally Hanson, Harry Jozifek, Rudolph Illing, John B. Gardner, H. Don Beverforden.

tainty that with continued training they cannot fail to place in future meets.

As a team, the Olympic Club gymnasts took second place.

Intentional Walks Unpopular With Fans

Ted Williams, famous Boston Red Sox swatter, is in the same spot that Babe Ruth was during the time that the Bambino was knocking 'em over fences. Pitchers fear his mighty bludgeon and give intentional passes to first base. Up to June 15 Ted had been given 66 free walks. Fans pay to see Williams knock the ball out of the lot, not to be tossed four balls wide of the plate. It is very unpopular and a rule should be passed barring intentional passes.

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O. C. Cops State Tennis Doubles Title

By Kai A. Larsen

The Olympic Club's star doubles team, Larry Dee and Jim Wade, sojourned across the bay to enter the California State Tennis Championships at Berkeley, and romped off with the Men's Doubles title.

Winning tennis championships is nothing new for Dee and Wade. They began playing together as a doubles team at Stanford, culminating their college careers by winning the National Intercollegiate Doubles title. That was 1941. Today they are back at Stanford as graduate students. A small matter of final examinations kept them from entering the Bay Counties which were held at Lakeside in May. But there was nothing to stop them in the State Championships—not even the tough competition. It might be appropriate to mention that their opponents in the finals were Ted Schroeder and Harry Likas. By way of superfluous elaboration, Schroeder is the boy who created such a sensation when he defeated both the Australian aces, Bromwich and Pails, to give the U. S. a clean sweep of the Davis Cup matches and return the coveted trophy to our shores after many years of estrangement. Likas, though not so widely known as Schroeder, is considered one of the strongest players in the bay area. No, the match wasn't a breeze, it was tough. But as the grandstand quarterback says, "We sure did it!"

The Dee-Wade combination is quite a phenomenal thing. Upon several occasions Dee and Wade have faced opponents either of whom could defeat them at singles, but once they get those opponents into a doubles game, the horse changes color.

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Howard Dodge, one of Frank Gove's promising young proteges, will go back East to take a fling at the boys (under 15) title. "The competition will be tough, but I can guarantee you that Howard will make a fine showing," quoth Frank. . . . Johnny Smart and Barney Newell rise with the birds to get onto the courts Sunday mornings. Not later than ten, that is their motto. . . . Going to the other extreme, we find Bill Young and Kenny Johnson winding up their tennis constitutional at two o'clock and then deciding "to spend the day" at Russian River, and off they go. . . . The next Club handicap tournament should be very interesting.

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Annual Junior Dance Voted Tremendous Success By 500 Young Participants

Annual invitational Junior dance at The Country Club, attended by 250 couples, was by far the most pretentious social affair of the season for the younger set. Olympians and guests enjoyed the evening immensely and there still is a lot of buzzing around the locker room about the "swell time" everybody had.

Arrayed in their evening clothes the young girls made a fitting background for the boys who also were dressed up "fit to kill" as they tripped the light fantastic to the entrancing music of Eddie Harkness' syncopaters.

One of the hits of the evening was the prize waltz which was won by the youngest couple on the floor. A 10-year miss, who was no bigger than the proverbial minute and who had on a fashionable gown that was strictly "evening" in every respect, captivated the onlookers as she kept pace with her partner in the elimination waltzing contest, and received vociferous applause from the dancers and onlookers alike.

The cocktail lounge also was a popular resting place between dances, where Hughie and his assistants, Marie and Tony, were kept busy serving thirst quenchers. Hughie says never in all his career as a mixologist has he served so many soft drinks. (The regular bar where hard liquor usually is served was closed for the occasion.) The cash register also was locked—as all drinks were "on the house." How would you like to dish up libations for 500 youngsters during a four-hour dancing session? Zowie!

The party was appropriately chaperoned by members of The Olympic Club and their wives, while Billy Von Poellnitz served in the capacity of Major Domo and saw that only holders of the much coveted "bids" were admitted to the party. (Photos of this annual social affair appear on pages 16-17.)

Conceding Putts to Opponents Not According To "Hoyle"

Those one- and two-footers which often are conceded by players when their opponents' golf balls are within that distance of the cup according to the strict rules of the game should be putted. Why? Simply because even professionals of the first magnitude have been known to "blow 'em" in a match where there's much doremi at stake. The ball should be stroked until it finally nestles in the cup, regardless of the shortness of the distance from the spot where it lies and the hole. Sometimes those "gives" are costly. Play the game strictly in accordance with the rules of golf at all times and you can't go wrong. Best proof of putting out regardless of shortness of putt was the 5-inch putt that Willie Turnesa "blew" on the sixteenth hole in the British Amateur Golf Championship at Carnoustie, Scotland. Nuf ced.

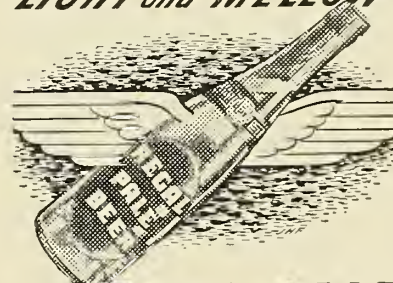
Most recent muffing of a short putt

which meant many thousands of dollars to the winner was the one that Sammy Snead missed in the play-off for the U. S. Open with Lew Worsham. By actual measurement there was only one inch difference in the distance from the cup of the two golf balls, with Snead's spheroid reposing 2 feet 6 inches away, causing him to shoot first. He missed and for the second time lost a chance to cop the coveted U. S. Open. This crucial putt was the deciding shot on the final hole of the play-off and demonstrated in no unmistakable manner that NO PUTT SHOULD BE CONCEDED regardless of the proximity of the ball to the cup.

Death Takes Olympians

Several well known and popular members of The Olympic Club died during recent weeks, including Albert Bankus, Everett B. McClure, Leon H. Nishkian, John Riordan and Bert R. Deleray.

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due to explosion shots from buried balls in footprints, but also rob the game of its pleasure, as nothing riles a golfer more than to walk up to a trap and find his ball reposing in a gaping footprint. Members should see that caddies rake the traps and when playing without a caddy they should do the job themselves.

Blue room congratulations were in order for DR. W. S. WAGNER when he reached the 19th hole after having scored a hole-in-one on the difficult 220 yard third hole of the Lake course. He used his trusty No. 4 wood from off the tee and along with PHIL BILL, ED SULLIVAN and EARL PURVIS had the satisfaction of seeing the spheroid disappear from view as it rolled into the cup. . . . Reason for the absence from Lakeside by MONROE GREEN was a rice growers convention held down deep in the heart of Texas. His gang missed that weekly contribution on

the 18th green. Speaking of "Mon," while he was sojourning in the South his nautical son STEVE managed to navigate his sloop into third place in the big boat No. 7 class, which was won by another Olympian, CHARLIE LANGLAIS, with the ADIOS. . . . During a fistic fanfest after the handball tournament finals one of the baby Olympians thought PHIL NOONAN was spoofing him when he recounted how he had won the lightweight amateur championship title while boxing for the Winged O. He couldn't figure how the present blimp-like Phil ever could have scaled 133 pounds.

Ran into COLONEL HARRY FOSTER at the St. Francis Yacht Club when the trophies were being distributed by COM-MODORE CLIFF SMITH to winners of different classes in the Hearst All-Clubs Yacht Regatta. The veteran Army officer, now retired, got a great kick out of the movies of the race and mixing with his salt water pals. He said it recalled old times when he saw the white wings skim-

ming past the red buoys marking the turning points, some just missing connections while others by dangling legs overboard managed to careen around the marker.

Judging by the physical fitness of the fellows who use the sun room, hot room, salt water swimming tank and showers with regularity, this department of the City Club must have much to recommend it. Old Timer seems to bump into the following members every time he pokes his nose into the bathing section, DR. LLOYD CROWE, DR. WM. HARRISON, J. SCOTT LEARY, FRED SHERRY, JIM BRENNAN, LEO MERRILL, NAT BOAS, FLOYD RUSSEL, HARRY FIALER, all of whom look to "be in the pink."

Golfers who were standing on the first tee one day last month awaiting orders from the starter to tee-off were startled to see a fellow attired in plus fours. Some thought it was the latest style in golf clothes, while others thought that GENE SARAZEN, lone survivor of the knickerbocker brigade, was giving the Lakeside course a visit. It wasn't either of these two, although BILL COLE, big game hunter and sportsman, still adheres to the abbreviated leg covering and agrees with Sarazen that for golf knee pants are the real thing. Bill was the style king for the day, even though it wasn't a fashion plate tournament, but he had to stand a lot of ribbing from his partners CHARLIE KNIGHT and CLAIRE GOODWIN.

When it comes to deciding which is the tougher spheroid to control—a bowling ball or the wee golf ball—JOHNNY SWANSON, one of the crack bowlers of the bay area and now a fairway addict, didn't hesitate in stating that he finds it much harder to keep a golf ball on a direct line than he does tossing a ball down a bowling alley to cause ten wooden pins to do a tumbling act. . . . With a new set of clubs, JOSH BILLINGS is all primed to give his opponents a tough tussle for that \$\$\$ match. Josh is as much pleased with his new war clubs as a kid would be with a new toy. . . . Back from an extended business trip, ED HANSEN is doing his customary 19th hole stunt of playing dominoes against some of the star disc performers. This indoor pastime has taken a firm hold on golfers for relaxation after a five-mile hike over the golf course.

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flight and making very commendable showing in special events. Keep it up, Helen. Janet Harwood, who played very nicely throughout tournament, had 105, her best score, in one of her matches on the Lake. Dot Brown, away from tournament play TOO long, certainly made us proud of her, by fighting her way to the finals to meet Ellen Kieser, incidentally giving her a very interesting match. Sarah Dixon, a beginner at golf, made a remarkable showing by winning the defeated of the second flight. A real golfer in the making. In fact, many of our "baby" golfers are making very rapid strides in this direction.

Iron Tournament—May 27—Ocean Course: Class A—Mrs. R. Setrakian, 83-5—78; Mrs. H. Brown, 91-10—81; Mrs. C. Sorenson, 96-13—83. Class B—Mrs. H. Sheehy, 114-35—79; Mrs. C. Conrad, 108-25—83; Mrs. A. O. Harwood, 111-28—83.

Roxie Setrakian, after a long lay-off, can well be proud of her 83, and with irons only. Sure that Dorothy Sheehy is proud of her score also.

June 1, Sunday—Mixed 4-Ball Four-some: Mr. and Mrs. J. Ross, 204-47—157; Mr. and Mrs. V. Carrara, 186-28—158; Mr. and Mrs. D. Colvin, 187-28—159; Mr. and Mrs. C. White, 219-60—159. (14 couples participated.)

June 3, Ocean Course, Medal: Slim entry since quite a number of our members were entered in the Women's Northern. Mrs. D. Colvin, 96-21—75; Mrs. J. Woollomes, 99-19—80.

Women's No. Calif. Golf Tournament: June 2 to 6 at Lakeside: Our Dorothy Brown won low net with a brilliant 83-10—73. Zetta Carrara took all comers to win the first flight, and was also one of the winners in the approaching and putting contest. Katrine Luce, also in this flight, played very well through the semi-finals. Bea Ross was winner of the 54-hole event.

Felice Billings, away from the club these many weeks. We understand she has been very busy preparing her new home on the Russian River for occupancy, and that she and her two children are now comfortably domiciled there for the summer. Guess husband Josh steals away from the cares of the city to join them. . . . The Bert O'Connors, off for a trip through the Northwest. . . . The Walter Funsinns ditto, to Seattle. . . . The Al



ROXIE SETRAKIAN
Wins iron tournament.

Grusses have just returned from a trip to Southern California. . . . The Seth Butlers away for several weeks, dividing their time between Woodside and Coronado—some hop! . . . The Henry Sheehy's to Lake Tahoe for about a month. . . . The Jim Murrays leaving for same destination, registered at Tahoe Tavern. . . . Irene Wood (and a group of female pals) headed for a good time—also Tahoe.

The John Lesoinnes have taken a house in Marvellous Marin for the summer, and won't their little son enjoy it (also mom and pop). . . . Nice to see Loriane

Schirmer out on Tuesdays for lunch and bridge, and occasional golf. Says that now her house decorating job is nearing completion will probably have more time for golf. . . . Eveleen von der Leith becoming a regular Tuesdayite (which includes golf). . . . The Harry Browns, for quite some time, have been entertaining guests from Oslo, Norway; one is women's tennis champion of Norway, and since visiting the United States, an ardent golf devotee. Dot states that these people have made some very revealing statements, and have related many harrowing experiences of Nazi occupation of their country.

In this connection, Al Ross had the privilege recently of showing our beautiful city and bay area to a very delightful couple from The Hague, Holland. Naturally, they also had much to tell. A German buzz bomb rack was located about 300 yards from their home, just one of the MINOR trifles to disturb them. They stress the fact that the war has brought them also closely together, that at the present time they are happier than ever—one large family.

June 10: Lake Course—Match vs. partner: (at handicap) Mrs. R. Gowans defeated Mrs. C. J. Wood; Mrs. R. Luce d. Mrs. A. Gruss; Mrs. J. Ross d. Mrs. A. Azevedo; Mrs. H. Brown d. Mrs. J. Murray; Mrs. J. Woollomes d. Mrs. J. Lesoine; Mrs. A. Ross d. Mrs. A. Harwood; Mrs. L. B. Ham d. Mrs. S. Butler; Mrs. G. Schirmer d. Mrs. W. von der Leith; Mrs. D. Colvin d. Mrs. W. Knowles; Mrs. H. Sheehy d. Mrs. E. Leurenberg; Mrs. V. Sloman d. Mrs. H. Herty; Mrs. E. Conn d. Mrs. R. Bird; Mrs. R. Tatam d. Mrs. J. Eppler; Mrs. W. Funsinn d. Mrs. C. Conrad.

Esther Nelson has just left for a several months' visit with her daughter and family in New York.

We regret to learn of the recent passing of Myrtle Eppler's mother, and extend to Myrtle our sincere sympathy.

Nice to see Carol Edwards out for lunch and bridge occasionally. We are trying to persuade her to return to golf, after an absence of all the war years and following. You will recall Carol gave so much of her time to the U.S.O. during the war and after.

Don't forget—first Thursday of each month—Bridge luncheon for women members and guests. A very nice way to entertain your friends.

Twilight Golf Tournaments In Future to Be Held On Second Wednesday

At a meeting of the Country Club Committee it was decided, beginning this month, to change the Twilight Golf Tournaments to the second Wednesday of the month instead of the third Wednesday of the month, as in the past.

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Olympian Awarded Order Of Leopold the First By Belgian Representative

The Belgium government in recognition of the heroic work performed by Major Paul A. Ludolph during the period that he was in charge of the troops during the defense occupation by American forces paid him a signal honor by having Count Colonel Robert Blaton, on duty with the Belgium Ministry of National Defense in New York, fly out to San Francisco to pin on him the medal representing the highest honor possible for such meritorious work—The Order of Leopold The First.



MAJOR PAUL LUDOLPH
Awarded Order of Leopold the First.

Count Blaton arrived at the San Francisco airport, where he was met by a welcoming committee and escorted to The Olympic Club at Lakeside. In the presence of Don Cameron and other distinguished guests, he awarded Major Ludolph the Order and Medal.

The Olympian also was awarded the American Bronze Star Medal, as well as the Order of The Division and the Croix de Guerre with silver star by General Charles de Gaulle, during the time that he was on foreign soil.

The Major was discharged from the Army December 31, 1946. He entered the military service in 1942 and went overseas in 1943 as an officer on the staff of the Chief of Transportation, Major General Frank S. Ross, and was in London

during the blitz and the start of the buzz bombs and the V-2 rockets.

He also was connected with the transportation division in Normandy in charge of road traffic headquarters, which was one of the main echelons that started the "Red Ball Highway." The Major also wrote S.O.P. 31 that governed the movement of supplies and troops on the continent and Plan 11 that moved the troops back.

Oh, yes, the Major is a native San Franciscan and resides at the Country Club. Baseball fans will remember his brother, the popular Wee Willie Ludolph, famous Pacific Coast League player of the yesteryear.

Proud Grandfathers Want To Stage Golf Tournament

How about a Grandfathers' Golf Tournament? That was the \$64 question put up to the writer. It seems that the grandpappies have become so numerous among golfing members of The Olympic Club that they are anxious to stage a tournament to decide once and for all who is the "Champion Grand Dad of Lakeside."

We've had all types of tournaments, ranging from twilight to blithering contests, as well as Dentists, Doctors, Lawyers, Jewelers, Stylists, St. Patrick's Day, Old Timers, Seniors, Old Guard, and many others. So why not a Grandfathers' Tournament.

A suitable prize should be hung up for such an event in the nature of a perpetual trophy, and the names of the winners each year inscribed on the cup or plaque, while the customary prizes handed out for regular tournaments could be distributed to victors and runners-up in each flight at the end of each tournament.

Now, here's a chance for the veteran granddaddies as well as the younger fellows who have just reached the proud distinction of being called "granddaddy" for the first time by their newest kin to appoint a committee and arrange the necessary details for such a tournament.

All grandfathers are requested to buttonhole Charlie Welch, the fellow who broached the subject to the writer, and arrange all necessary details for the staging of the tournament. Welch can be located any week-end in the Blue Room.

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There are many hard fought races between the various members and I would like to list the following names as those that have swum 400 lengths or more as of June 12. 400 lengths puts the swimmers half way to Catalina. FLYING FISH: E. Anderson, O. Wallfisch and G. Wallfisch tie at 948; A. S. Hallberg, 730; Zenas H. Taylor, 699; H. R. Mann, 676; Dr. Arne E. Ingles, 626; Chas. J. Rogers, 602; Al Sandell Sr., 540; O. H. MacKroth, 534; Leslie W. Stocker, 452; Victor Van Ness, 432; John F. Farry, 429; Robert. S. McKnight, 400; Barry Gill, 400.

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RIVER RATS: D. Bazzanella, 912; Harry Rethers, 874; J. Scott Leary, 810; Phil Katz, 652; R. B. Davis, 612; C. R. Sessions, 542; J. L. Wood, 536; Nick Zoller, 400.

Stars of the Diamond Soon Slide Into An Eclipse

Baseball stars who spring into the limelight with cyclonic speed and reach the top rung of the ladder in the majors don't bask very long in that joyous spotlight. Most recent illustration is the case of Joe Medwick, who in 1937 was the batting king of the National League and who was sold for \$125,000 by the St. Louis Cards to Brooklyn in 1940, recently was handed the "blue envelope" by the Dodgers. Sam Breadon got his former \$25,000 star back for a 3-cent postage stamp. Joe was signed by the Cards to do pinch hitting.

William "Bill" McWood, Famous Athlete, Succumbs

By George F. Lineer

William R. "Bill" McWood died last month after an emergency operation at San Jose. "Big Bill," who had been a member of the Olympic Club for 35 years, was one of the first flight swimmers in his heyday and won many aquatic laurels for the club.

As an attorney and a man Bill left little to be desired. The same fighting spirit that made him a great athletic champion carried him on to many victories in the world of law where he left indelible marks of greatness.

As Assistant District Attorney here in San Francisco, Bill planned and conducted many brilliant trials. His efforts in the diplomatic field were even more brilliant. He represented several South American countries in legal circles in these United States and in 1939 he was decorated at the San Francisco Exposition for his work in fostering good will between the Latin American countries of South America and the United States.

As an athlete Bill McWood first earned fame swimming for Polytechnic High School. It was "Big Bill" who put an end to the supremacy of Lowell High School's domination in athletics when he beat Bill Bromley in the sprint races. This dates back to 1907. Continuing his brilliant athletic career, McWood attended the University of California where he was materially responsible for the early successes of the Blue and Gold mermen of that era. Later he continued his athletic career as a member of The Olympic Club.

Though Bill McWood spent much of his time and life in Mexico and in South American countries, he maintained a home here in San Francisco. His never-ending flow of stories and good humor made him a very popular figure with all who knew and met him and he never failed to visit the club and have his swim in his beloved Olympic Club pool when in town.

He is survived by his widow, Thelma McWood; William R. McWood, a member of The Olympic Club; Mrs. Elizabeth Purcell, living at Bahrein Island on the Persian Gulf, and Mrs. Peggy Kluge, of San Jose, California. He was a member of Veritas Lodge of the Masonic Order and a member of El Maida Temple, of the Shrine. He was 58 years of age.

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Dads and Sons Set Date For Annual Picnic

By Don Steele

Shangri-La takes on an added meaning to a flock of dads and their bewildered offspring: September 14th, Sunday that is—about an estimated 500 Olympians, young and old, will motor to Shangri-La for the second annual picnic event.

After searching a radius of 50 miles around and about the Bay Area, Ed Hoover and Ray Leahy discovered Shangri-La; not in China but strange as it seems, right in nearby Los Altos.

Friends of the Fathers and Sons families are invited to the affair which was innovated last fall. Everyone is expected to bring their own picnic lunch; coffee, too, for that matter if coffee is desired; blankets for sun bathing on the spacious lawn are to be—"a must" . . . and let junior and sister dress the way they like best—in Levis and T-shirts.

Everything in the book will take place at this picnic and there will be no hit and miss activity, according to the F & S organizing group which met in the radio room early last month to make plans for the out-of-doors Shangri-La picnic.

This is rather a far off date to start figuring on at the moment. However, if you will draw a big red circle around September 14th right now, you'll be doing yourself and junior a big favor. Never can tell; you might make a conflicting week-end date and thereby miss the most fun of the year—the Shangri-La picnic.

The month of May brought Lieutenant John P. Meehan to the Sunday morning breakfast with his charming manner of expression. He is associated with the Police Department and is one of our best informed men on juvenile problems. Judge Preston Devine was chairman-of-the-day and produced two officers from the Police Department, Fred Fitzgerald and Edward Epting, who showed how criminals are apprehended and arrested; disarming a culprit is just like downing a cup of coffee to these men who are so adept at judo they could easily tear an arm out of joint if they weren't very careful.

They showed every sort of situation and how it might be met including the risky business of taking knives, clubs, guns and assorted weapons from the enemies of justice. All of this took place in the gym, just before the final large get-together of the season. Meetings will continue on Sunday mornings during the

summer months but no guest speakers or entertainers will be on hand.

The Fathers and Sons group has expanded into a major Club activity and with careful planning over the summer months by the newly formed official committee, the fall season should see more than 400 in attendance at the monthly breakfasts which begin in October, full swing.

The Shangri-La picnic will start things rolling. It's your chance to get associated with your fellow Olympians; to meet the folks junior talks about and to spend a marvelous day of fun and relaxation in a marvelous setting under the September sun that always shines down Los Altos way.

Young Hollander Makes Olympic Cricket Team

Jan Oostermeyer, 17 year old Hollander, youngest member of the Olympic Rugby Team, attended a school near Victoria, B. C., then came to California to reside.

Jan recently signed up for the Olympic Club Cricket team, in which he is already making a name. Too, he played "Soccer" football for U. S. F. last season.

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and John Finn III. Third Class, Russ Cullen and Zenas Taylor. Second Class, Walt Lunsman and Dr. Fred Hansen. First Class, Frank Knill and Henry Stecher. Championship, Jules Michelucci and Bill Keays.

Jack Miner, after several years of absence from handball due to the war, made a magnificent comeback and with the aid of his barrister partner, Ed Kay, won in the finals from two stubborn and worthy opponents, Larry Anderson and John Finn III.

Duke Hanaford and Russ Rose, two foxy handballers, showed a little too much placement artistry in their class, and won in the finals from two very zealous competitors, Russ Cullen and Zenas Taylor. Hanaford and Rose were the only team to go through the entire tournament without losing a match.

Bill Quayle and Earle Lindstrom, improving rapidly in Second Class, were prepared to give the undefeated team of Walt Lunsman and Dr. Fred Hansen, the battle of their lives in the finals. Unfortunately, Walt sustained a back injury and a default was necessary.

Tom Sullivan and Dr. Norman Marisch demonstrated class and durability by emerging victorious over 16 evenly matched teams in First Class. Their road to sweet victory was cluttered with many difficult obstacles. To indicate the fierce competition, Sullivan and Marisch played six matches, five of which went to three games. However, the Irishman and Slavonian proved to be a well conditioned and hard fighting machine and earned their laurels the hard way. They met Frank Knill and Henry Stecher, survivors of the loser's bracket, in the finals. After three hard fought, close games, Stecher and Knill emerged the victors. In the play-off, however, Sullivan and Marisch turned the tables and came out on top after three bitter games.

In the Championship Class, Bill Keays and Jules Michelucci defeated Mike de la Pena and Roy Leu in the preliminary rounds. However, Mike and Roy came back strong and, as usual, won the championship.

Improvement over previous performances was noted with respect to the following younger players: John Finn III, Russ Graff, Phil and Al Garcia, Bob Hasing, Ed Proll, Bill Quayle, Vern Petrie, Archer Zamloch, Tom Kelly, Dante Tagnoli, Jules Michelucci and Jack Tehaney.

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